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Triangle Sports to close

Their lot next to Barclays Center could net big bucks

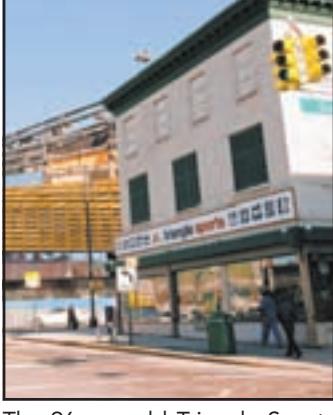
By Eli Rosenberg
The Brooklyn Paper

The owners of a 96-year-old sporting goods store directly across the street from the nearly finished home of the Brooklyn Nets are cashing out — putting their building up for sale in what speculators say is the beginning of a real estate gold rush sparked by the opening of the new arena.

Triangle Sports owner Henry Rosa said he and his partner, William Shapiro — whose grandparents opened the shop as an Army surplus outfit in 1916 — made the decision to sell after the offers started trickling in over the summer from businesses eager to get in on the action near the soon-to-be-completed Barclays Center.

"Because of the arena, the value has gone up quite a bit," said Rosa, who hinted that the building could garner millions of dollars. "We've gotten solicited by a lot of people making offers and I thought I could be here another 100 years and never make what I'd get for it now."

The triangle-shaped building has already gotten the attention of McDonald's, which eyed the lot bounded by Flatbush Avenue, Fifth Avenue, and Dean Street, a spokesperson from the burger purveyors said.



space to surge based on proximity to the stadium," the firm wrote in a glossy pamphlet marketing the property. Experts say the streets around the behemoth arena could experience a significant shift with the addition of thousands of sports fans passing through for the Nets home games. That makes a property like Triangle Sports a no-brainer for would-be investors, said broker and real estate expert Chris Havens.

"It's worth an awful lot," said Havens. "It will make a great bar or restaurant space."

Some arena neighbors have fought against new pubs in the neighborhood that they believe are targeting Nets fans, disparaging a nine-month-old sports bar on Pacific Street and badgering the proprietor of another planned sports bar until he opened a "farm-to-table" restaurant more in line with the kinds of eateries common in Park Slope. Rosa says that he is holding out for just the right offer before he begins "playing golf everyday" — but he says he's not letting just anybody take over the building.

"I'm going to be selective who we give it to," said Rosa, who lives in Brooklyn Heights. "I'm not just going to go to the highest bidder — I'm cognizant of the ramifications."

The 96-year-old Triangle Sports on Flatbush Avenue sits opposite the Barclays Center.

Triangle's agent, TerraCRG, has been using the fact that the building sits steps from the entrance of the Barclays Center — where the Nets are scheduled to take the court this fall after concerts by rap mogul Jay-Z — as one of its selling points.

"The Barclays Center will add exponentially to this demand, causing rents in the already scarce available retail

parks — if the waste is disposed of properly.

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SLUDGE...

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by polluters, said the EPA's Gowanus Canal Superfund project manager Christos Tsiamis.

Workers would retrieve filthy sediment from the least-contaminated sections of the canal, treat the gunk to remove pollutants, and place the sludge in sealed containers roughly eight to 15 feet underground, Tsiamis said.

These steps will ensure sediment scraped from the bottom of the canal, which contains cancer-causing chemicals, will not pose health risks, feds claim.

"[By then] it's not toxic to the touch," Tsiamis said. "It's not a dump for toxic materials."

The EPA is also studying six other ways to get rid of the sludge, which is loaded with heavy metals, chemicals, and coal tar from plants that operated on the banks of the Gowanus for more than a century.

Cleaning up the gunk is just one part of the proposed \$500-million Super-

fund cleanup — and turning the sludge into Brooklyn landfill is likely cheaper than transporting it to an out-of-state treatment plant or dump, Tsiamis.

Compassionate conservationists in Gowanus said they could live with the sludge

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But others have long-argued the money would be better spent on other projects, such as fixing the dilapidated Boardwalk.

The parachute jump was built for the 1939 World's Fair and relocated to Coney Island two years later. Visitors plummeted for 15 seconds from the top of the tower to the ground below.

The tower closed in 1965, and was declared a city landmark in 1988.

JUMP...

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becoming a pricey endeavor, the \$2 million Markowitz has earmarked will bring the lighting bill to staggering \$3.4 million.

In 2006, the city tapped designer Leri Schwendinger to install a \$1.4 million lighting system consisting of 17 lamps and 150 lighting fixtures that kept the ride illuminated on summer nights.

Two years later, Markowitz convinced Mayor Bloomberg and the Council to set aside an additional \$2 million to redo the lighting system more to his lik-

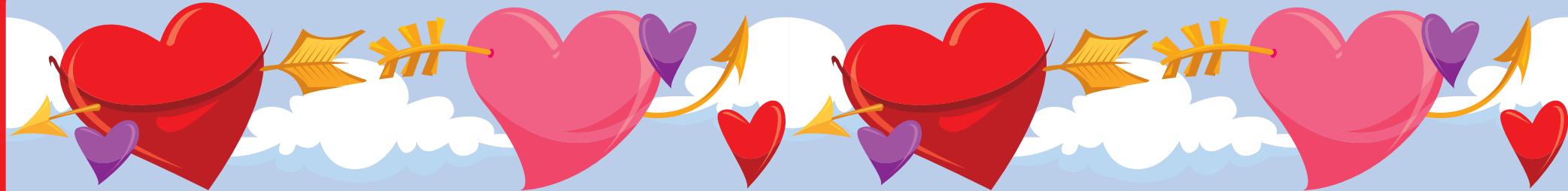
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NEIGHBORHOOD REPORT

BAY RIDGE



Charles Otey and Bina Valenzano say closing an eight-block stretch of Third Avenue in Bay Ridge on four nights this summer will bring in business.

Ridge ready to 'stroll'

Pedestrian plaza may be coming this summer

By Daniel Bush
The Brooklyn Paper

Lawmakers are resurrecting a panned proposal to turn Third Avenue between 81st and 89th streets into an open summertime plaza for shoppers — and merchants who once vehemently opposed the plan now say it could be a commercial boost.

Organizers say their new and improved "Summer Stroll" would close the avenue to traffic on four Fridays in July and August, giving pedestrians free reign to window shop, sample food and drinks from local restaurants, and hear live music at three makeshift stages from 6-11 pm — a prospect they say would attract more shoppers.

"It will benefit the entire community and showcase Bay Ridge as a creative and culturally vibrant area," said Councilman Vincent Gentile (D-Bay Ridge), who is backing the project along with state Sen. Marty Golden (R-Bay Ridge) and the Merchants of Third Avenue, a civic group for local businesses.

The new stroll is a lot smaller in scale than the one shopkeepers blasted last year: the Merchants of Third Avenue initially wanted to close the avenue to vehicular traffic between 82nd and 92nd streets on nine Fridays in July and August. But that plan didn't sit well with store owners who feared the temporary malls would be noisy and chaotic, prevent deliveries, encroach on parking spaces along the side streets, and drive away regular customers.

"This plan will just cheapen the neighborhood," Damien Christopher, the chef at Hom near 88th Street, told us last year.

But Hom and many others are singing a different tune now that organizers have reserved parking spaces for shoppers at the municipal lot on 85th Street and Fifth Avenue, and promised that the sale of alcohol would be limited to restaurants with liquor licenses.

"We have a better plan in place," said Bina Valenzano, owner of BookMark Shoppe between 84th and 85th streets.

Community Board 10 is expected to vote on the plan at a meeting later this month.

DOWNTOWN



Crash on Boerum Pl.

A motorist ran a red on Feb. 6, struck another vehicle and crashed into the Boulevard East condos on Boerum Place, according to a witness. Both drivers were hospitalized with minor injuries.

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BUSHWICK

What's cooking?

3rd Ward gets \$1.5 million to open kitchen for food industry start-ups

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

Brooklyn's starving artists won't have to look far to fill their appetites.

3rd Ward will receive a \$1.5-million grant from Borough President Markowitz to train and nurture the borough's culinary talents, expanding the Bushwick art space's do-it-yourself empire into the kitchen.

"This incubator will provide culinary entrepreneurs with the tools, equipment, and workspace that they would otherwise not be able to afford," said Markowitz, who pledged to fund a culinary hub last year and announced that the city's Economic Development Corporation had chosen 3rd Ward as the recipient at his State of the Borough Address at Brooklyn College on Wednesday night.

The so-called "culinary incubator" will open in a neighborhood with high lev-



3rd Ward — known mainly for its art programming and less so for its pig roasts (pictured) — is cooking up something new.

els of unemployment, such as Bushwick, Bedford-Stuyvesant, or East New York, according to Crain's, which broke the story.

A 3rd Ward spokeswoman

said the funding will go toward acquiring a new building for the kitchen separate from its Morgan Avenue flagship. The new space will host cooking classes at all levels and feature a commercial kitchen decked out with professional equipment that will allow entrepreneurial cooks to develop their own food products for Brooklyn's discerning marketplace, she said.

The popular multi-disciplinary arts and education center is best known for hosting drawing, woodworking, and metalworking classes, art exhibits and craft fairs over the past five years. But it's not the first time 3rd Ward has put on its chef's whites.

The organization put together pig roasts, ran a high-end food truck in a reclaimed trailer on Lorimer Street, and is planning to add a cafe to its Morgan Avenue building and a restaurant in its new

Philadelphia outpost.

But the incubator is 3rd Ward's biggest step into Brooklyn's booming food industry — and the art space's neighbors say this could be great for the borough (and that's not just because they'll be close to all that food).

Leah Archibald, director of the East Williamsburg Valley Industrial Development Corporation, thinks the communal kitchen could whip up new jobs.

"3rd Ward has been a hive of activity for all sorts of small creative businesses," said Archibald. "It's the next logical step to create a hive of activity for food production, which is a growing subsector in manufacturing."

And there could be more food incubators to follow.

Williamsburg's Moore Street Market, which received federal and city funding for a new public plaza, is planning on adding a \$300,000 commercial kitchen with 24-hour access and culinary training programs for food start-up businesses.

And Marketshare, a group that arose after the Greenpoint Food Market closed in 2010 because many of its vendors lacked food-handling permits, also wants to open a North Brooklyn commercial kitchen.

FORT GREENE

Towns's haul Rep. raises cash, quick

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

Veteran Rep. Ed Towns (D-Fort Greene) raised almost a quarter of a million dollars in the last three months of 2011 — building an impressive war chest that proves that the 76-year-old lawmaker isn't retiring and will fight for his job.

Towns pulled in \$233,472 after boasting a bank account of just \$11,240 last fall — a figure so low that some political observers thought the longtime legislator would hang up his hat and let state Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries (D-



Rep. Ed Towns

Fort Greene) and Councilman Charles Barron (D-Canarsie) duke it out for his seat.

Towns still has \$162,407 to spend, but he lags behind Jeffries, who has \$235,962 left to spend, making him one of just two congressional challengers nationwide to have more cash on hand than the incumbent.

Barron, an underdog candidate who ran a close race against Towns in 2006 despite being outspent, has only \$15,860 on hand.

Towns' people say he's just getting started.

"The Congressman is committed to running, he's going

to raise the money, and we expect to do better than we did the last quarter," said Towns campaign spokesman Al Wiltshire.

"We are aggressively raising money, we will raise whatever it takes."

But Towns' biggest rival says he's looking for money in all the wrong places.

A Jeffries spokeswoman

called out Towns for collecting \$112,228 more from political action committees than from individual donors.

So far, Towns has raised \$226,441 from individuals and \$338,669 from lobbying committees.

The Jeffries campaign is quick to point out that Towns has netted about \$132,000 from telecommunications companies since 2007, and last year sponsored a bill that would make it easier for telemarketers to call people on their cellphones. The bill died in Congress.

Jeffries has not refused cash from lobbying committees, but has only brought in \$1,700 from five groups since he started raising money. Two of the groups were pushing for medical marijuana reform.

Towns said that Jeffries' charges amount to "negative campaigning."

GREENPOINT

Europa gets sanctioned Cops temporarily close Greenpoint club

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

Cops temporarily shut down a troubled Greenpoint club on Feb. 2, warning the dance hall next door to their precinct to clean up its act or face even stiffer sanctions.

Deputy Inspector Terence Hurson, the commanding officer of the 94th Precinct, said he got a court order to close Club Europa on Manhattan Avenue because of several violent incidents including a fight among patrons that turned into a brawl with officers.

"It's not just one incident, this is basically a restraining order," said Hurson. "This has been in the works for a long time — we have had problems with underage drinking, numerous larcenies and assaults on patrons."

Michael Siwiec, the owner of the nightclub known for its DJ-driven dance parties and Polish programming, negotiated an agreement with the city on Monday that will allow him to reopen on Friday if he adds security cameras and hires licensed security guards, cops said.

But if Club Europa violates the court agreement, police say it will be even easier to shut the venue down.

"If or when problems start happening again I will contact NYPD legal to take action," said Hurson.

A Europa manager promised the club will only be closed for one week and declined to comment further.

Community Board 1 public safety committee co-chairman Mieszko Kalita was surprised because the group received no complaints about the venue.

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It's a sin: Thug steals man's Jesus chain

78TH PRECINCT

Park Slope

A thug beat up a strap-hanger on Seventh Avenue on Feb. 5.

The victim told cops that he was inside the Seventh Avenue F train station near Ninth Street at 6:45 am when a long-haired man ran up to him. The man punched the unlucky commuter in the head and grabbed his \$800 gold necklace — which was adorned with Jesus Christ's face — before fleeing the station.

Black bag

A creep snatched a bag

of cash from a meat delivery guy on Ninth Street on Jan. 30.

A worker from Los Pinos Meat Market told cops that he delivered cuts to a Latin restaurant near Fifth Avenue at 2 pm and collected \$5,000, which he put in a black bag. He then went to climb into his delivery truck — but a man ran up from behind, threatened him with a gun and snatched the bag.

Bad taste

A thief stole thousands of bucks from a wine shop on Seventh Avenue on Jan. 30.

The owner of Slope Cellars near 15th Street told cops

that two men busted the lock on the front door at 5 am, then stole a safe full of \$6,000 — but took no vino.

Quick ... stop!

A jerk snatched a wallet from a car at a gas station on Third Avenue on Jan. 31.

The victim told cops that he pulled into a Citgo station near Butler Street at 1:20 pm

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84TH PRECINCT

Brooklyn Heights-DUMBO-Boerum Hill-Downtown

Diamond heist

A crook stole a man's \$4,000 ring inside of the Family Court building on Jay Street on Jan. 26.

The victim said he left the diamond ring in a bathroom inside the building near Tech Place at 2:30 pm. When he went returned one hour later, the ring was missing.

Macy's malice

A thief stole a wallet from a shopper at Macy's on Feb. 2.

The victim told police that she left the wallet near the register at the Fulton Street department store at 12:30 pm. When she returned for it 15 minutes later, the wallet was no longer there.

iPhone swiped

A crook stole a man's iPhone at the Court Street subway station on Jan. 30.

The victim said he was riding a Bay Ridge-bound R train at 7:40 pm when the thief grabbed his cellphone and hopped off the train.

— Daniel Bush

76TH PRECINCT

Carroll Gardens-Cobble Hill-Red Hook

Cash envelope

A thief stole cash from a business on Dikeman Street on Jan. 19.

The crook entered the building near Ferris Street through an unlocked window sometime after 5:30 pm, taking an envelope containing \$4,800 out of the building's financial office, according to cops.

Knife mug

A knife-wielding jerk robbed a woman on Court Street on Jan. 23.

The victim told police she was between Nelson and Luquer streets at 6:10 pm when a woman approached her from behind.

"Give me the phone, or I'll cut you," she barked while displaying a silver knife, cops said. She then took the victim's \$50 BlackBerry and fled.

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Feel the love

Aphrodisiacs sure to get you going on Valentine's Day

By Sarah Zorn

for The Brooklyn Paper

Candle light. Romantic poems. Your significant other doing the dishes for once in his or her life. All these go a long way in fanning the flames of passion on Valentine's Day — but nothing stirs the soul (and body) quite as effectively as a bar of 72-percent chocolate, a glass of red wine, and maybe an avocado thrown in for good measure.

That's because they've long been considered to be natural aphrodisiacs — foods that induce sexual desire — increasing serotonin levels and boosting blood flow while tasting devastatingly delicious, all at the same time.

Want to get some real bang for your buck this Valentine's Day (pun intended)? The aphrodisiac-loving dishes at these great area restaurants will definitely double your pleasure — and double your fun.

RED WINE

The Owl's Head: Nothing gets the juices flowing like a perfect glass of red wine, and the sultry vinos served at Bay Ridge newcomer The Owl's Head will get any night started off right. "Like the love between two people, each different wine has received a very particular treatment before it reaches the table," said owner John Avelluto. "It's upon pulling the cork that we get to share in a complex romance within the bottle and, now, with the person we clink our glasses with." Extra credit in the romance department if you pair your soft and velvety glass



Feed the fire: (Pictured clockwise from left) Chocolatier Troy Odell gears up for Valentine's Day at Jacques Torres. Keep things sexy with this lobster and blood orange ceviche with crostini at Owl's Head in Bay Ridge — then order a chocolate-hazelnut bread pudding for good measure.

of Rio Madre Rioja with a stimulating chocolate hazelnut bread pudding (\$8), or a stamina-boosting lobster ceviche with blood orange and tarragon (\$12).

The Owl's Head [479 74th St. between Fourth and Fifth Avenues in Bay Ridge, (718) 680-2436].

CHOCOLATE

Jacques Torres: When it comes to the king of aphrodisiacs, it's a no-brainer to hit up Mr. Chocolate in DUMBO. Sure you can go for hand-rolled truffles, chocolate lollipops or edible "I Luv U Puzzles," but the Wicked Hot Chocolate (\$18) — a decadent chocolate drinking mix with a rush of endorphin-releasing chili peppers — will deliver a one-two-punch to your sexy parts.

Jacques Torres [66 Water St. at Main Street in DUMBO, (718) 875-9772].

AVOCADOS

Caracas Arepa Bar: The Venezuelan corn patties at this popular 'Billyburg' spot bear no relation to those greasy grub bombs peddled at street fair food carts. Our heart races for the La del Gato (\$6.75) — packed with salty guayanes cheese, fried sweetplantains, and sensuous slices of creamy avocado that will leave your taste buds tingling — and your blood pumping to all the right places.

Caracas Arepa Bar [291 Grand St. between Roebling and Havemeyer Streets in North Williamsburg, (718) 218-6050].

BEETS, GARLIC, ALMONDS

Yiasou Estiatorio: Pantzaria salad (\$7.50) — marinated baby beets with

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open fig is also thought to emulate the female sex organ.

Oysters: Sultry shape and alluring mouthfeel aside, oysters — pictured here at Five Leaves in Greenpoint — contain D-aspartic acid and N-methyl-D-aspartate, effective in releasing sexual hormones such as testosterone and estrogen.

Almonds: Long regarded as a fertility symbol, the aroma of almonds supposedly arouses passion in women.

Basil: The stimulating scent of this sweet herb is said to set hearts aflutter. Also thought to boost fertility and promote circulation.

Asparagus: These sexy spears are a great source of folic acid — which boosts histamine production necessary for achieving orgasm.

Garlic: This potent allium is full of allicin, which increases blood flow.

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The science behind the sexy

Suggestive shapes and mind-altering compounds make the following foods so damn sexy.

Red Wine: Besides being intoxicating — literally — red wine contains resveratrol, which boosts blood flow and improves circulation before and after intercourse.

Chocolate: Pure chocolate contains a host of feel-good compounds, including phenylethylamine — which releases dopamine in the pleasure centers of the brain and peaks during orgasm.

Avocados: Referred to by the ancient Aztecs as the "testicle tree," Catholic Priests in Spain also found the fruit so overtly sexual that they forbade it.

Bananas: More than just a sight gag, bananas contain the bromeliad enzyme, said to enhance the male libido.

Honey: The sweet stuff is loaded with boron, a mineral that helps metabolize estrogen and enhances testosterone levels.

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WHERE TO GO

EDITORS' PICKS

WEDNESDAY

February 15



Greene scene

Fort Greene's famous black writers want you to remember the neighborhood of the 1980s and '90s, when Spike Lee, Branford Marsalis and other creative minds made it a mecca for young artists. Join Nelson George for a night of storytelling where a crew of leading authors will host a panel discussion on the local truths that inspired their fiction.

7 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between Lafayette Avenue and Hanson Place in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200]. Free. For info, visit www.greenlightbookstore.com.

THURSDAY

February 16

We heart Glaser

Graphic design legend Milton Glaser will head to DUMBO to celebrate his forthcoming book, "In Search of the Miraculous, or One Thing Leads to Another," a retrospective that spans his long and prosperous career. "Most people don't know what they're talking about when they say 'design,'" Glaser said. It's ok; we trust him to figure it all out for us.

7 pm. powerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, 718) 222-1331]. Free, for info visit www.powerhousearena.com.

7 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between Lafayette Avenue and Hanson Place in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200]. Free. For info, visit www.greenlightbookstore.com.

FRIDAY

February 17



Toga! Toga!

Throw your hands up and shout! Otis Day and the Knights, a fictional-turned-actual band from "Animal House" fame will bring its rock 'n roll antics to Brooklyn Bowl for a good old fashioned toga party. So don your best drapery and show up early; in true frat party fashion, you'll be treated to a free beer.

9 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], \$15, for info visit www.brooklynbowl.com.

SATURDAY

February 18

All aboard!

St. Ann's Warehouse will host the Wooster Group theater company and the New York City Players as they perform three of legendary playwright Eugene O'Neill's earliest one-acts, each taking place at a different point during a sea voyage. "Bound East for Cardiff," "The Long Voyage Home," and "The Moon of the Caribees," are semi-autobiographical, so expect drunk sailors, bad economic times, and plenty 'o drama.

8 pm. St. Ann's Warehouse [38 Water St. between Main and Dock streets in DUMBO, (718) 254-8779], \$22. For info, visit www.stannswarehouse.org.

8 pm. Music Hall of Williamsburg [66 North 6th St. between Kent and Wythe avenues in Williamsburg, (718) 486-5400], \$15, for info, visit www.brooklynbowl.com.

SUNDAY

February 19



Tokyo mix

Billed as the first disk jockey to utilize the turntable as a live instrument, the venerable DJ KRUSH is departing the Land of the Rising Sun to enlighten Brooklyn with his ever-evolving brand of electronica. The internationally acclaimed DJ, has released eight award-winning electronic albums.

8 pm. Music Hall of Williamsburg [66 North 6th St. between Kent and Wythe avenues in Williamsburg, (718) 486-5400], \$15, for info, visit www.brooklynbowl.com.

NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN

FRI, FEB. 10

WORKSHOP, FUN FRIDAYS: Children get together with friends and play video games and read. Free. 4 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy, at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

READING, JUST WORKING ON MY BREAKUP — VALENTINE'S DAY READING: Flip off V-day with an evening of sad stories and broken hearts. Free. 7 pm. WORD [126 Franklin Street between Milton and Noble streets in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096], www.wordbrooklyn.com.

DANCE, BOOGALOO AND LATIN SOUL DANCE PARTY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden presents "Lush," a dance in the garden featuring DJ Turnmix. \$65. 8 pm. Brooklyn Botanic Garden [1000 Washington Ave., at Eastern Parkway in Crown Heights, (718) 623-7220], www.bbgb.org.

THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER": An evening of short plays about cults. 8:30 pm. Triskelion Arts [118 N. 11th St. between Berry Street and Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (917) 270-2729], www.PanickedProductions.com.

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THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER": 8:30 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

SAT, FEB. 11

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, MO BEASLEY'S LOVESHOW: Free. 8 pm. BAMCafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

MUSIC, DANIEL KELLY'S RAKONTO: \$10. 8 pm. Brooklyn Conservatory of Music, (718) 622-3300.

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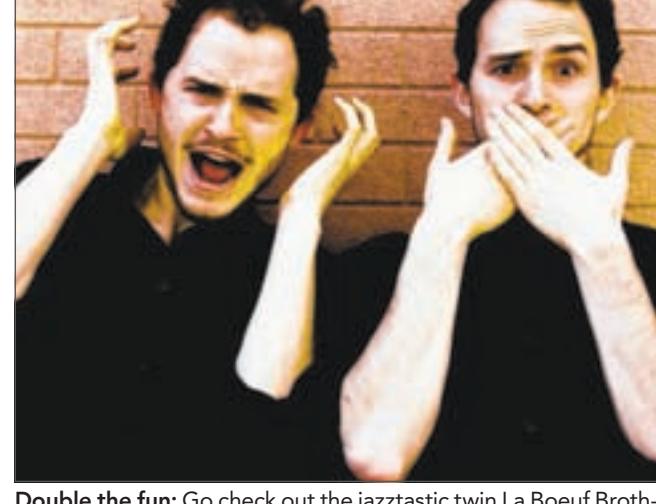
OTHER

TAX HELP: State Sen. Marty Golden is sponsoring income tax preparation for seniors; by appointment only. Free. 9 am-11:30 am. District Office [7408 Flatbush Ave. at 74th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 238-6044].

CITIZENSHIP PREP: For immigrants planning on applying for US citizenship. Registration required. Free. 10:30 am-1:30 pm and 1:30-4:30 pm. Prospect Park YMCA [357 Ninth St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 768-7100], www.ymcany.org.

READING, "REINVENTING THE PAST" LITERARY FESTIVAL: Featuring Chriki Adrian, Catalin Dorian Florescu, Inka Parei and Linda Stift, in conversation with Daniel Kehlmann. Free. 6 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

THE MEET ME IN PARIS PARTY: A clandestine French cabaret with live music, burlesque, variety acts and late-night dancing. \$10. 8 pm. RSVP for address: www.geminianscopia.com/events.



Double the fun: Go check out the jazztastic twin La Boeuf Brothers at Sycamore on Feb. 18.

SUN, FEB. 12

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT: \$20. 3 pm. Brooklyn Heights Synagogue [131 Remsen St. between Clinton and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 855-3053], www.brooklynfriendsofchambermusic.com.

MUSIC, CLASSICAL CONCERT: Sofya Melikyan performs the works of Schumann, Liszt, Faure and Debussy. Free. 4 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza in Park Slope, (718) 230-2100], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

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OTHER

MERCH MART: Fundraiser to help transplant recipient Alexander Berman defray the costs of treatment.

ARMY PLAZA IN PARK SLOPE: 6:30 pm; PS 128, 2075 84th St. at 20th Avenue; (718) 714-2503; www.cec21.org.

COMMUNITY BOARD 6 POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, MONTHLY MEETING: Agenda-Licensing applications for various restaurants and cabarets; 7 pm; Community Board 10 office, 8119 Fifth Ave. between 81st and 82nd streets; (718) 745-6827.

COMMUNITY BOARD 18, MONTHLY MEETING: 8 pm; Kings Plaza meeting room, Flatbush Ave. at Avenue U; (718) 241-0422.

MON, FEB. 13

COMMUNITY BOARD 14, MONTHLY MEETING: agenda includes debate over zoning laws, unwanted telephone poles, and hopefully, bike lanes; 7:30 pm; PS 249, 18 Marlborough Rd, between Caton and Church avenues; (718) 282-8828; www.catonschool.org.

TUE, FEB. 14

Dyker Heights Civic Association, Monthly meeting; 8 pm; St. Phillips Church Hall, 1072 80th St. between 10th and 11th avenues; (718) 748-1797.

WED, FEB. 15

Community Education Council District 21, Monthly meeting; agenda - guest speaker representative from the Office of School Wellness; and welcome Andrea Ciliotta, principal of the Brooklyn Community Board 14, Monthly meeting; agenda includes debate over zoning laws, unwanted telephone poles, and hopefully, bike lanes; 7:30 pm; PS 249, 18 Marlborough Rd, between Caton and Church avenues; (718) 282-8828; www.catonschool.org.

THURS, FEB. 16

66th Precinct Community Council, Monthly meeting; 7:30 pm; Community Board 12 office, 5910 13th Ave. at 60th Street; (718) 851-0800; www.brooklynlynchb12.org.

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WORKSHOP, ENGLISH CONVERSATION: Adults practice conversational speech. Free. 1 pm. Coney Island Public Library [1901 Mermaid Ave. at 19th Street in Coney Island, (718) 265-3220], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

FILM, MOVIE TIME: A different title each week. For adults. Free. 2 pm. Clinton Hill Library [380 Washington Ave. at Lafayette Ave. in Clinton Hill, (718) 398-8713], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

ROOTS OF SAMBA: Just in time for Carnival, Grupo Ribeiro performs Afro-Brazilian music and the dance. Free. 3 pm-4:30 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200].

BEGINNER'S ESL: Students learn basic structure and vocabulary. Registration required. Free. 6:15 pm-9:15 pm. Prospect Park YMCA [357 Ninth St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 768-7100], www.ymcany.org.

TALK, EDUCATION PANEL: Abram Lackman, Sol Stern, James Cultura and Joe Williams discuss the tension between public and charter schools. Free. 7 pm-9 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200].

READING, NAOMI BENARON: Author of "Running the Rift." Free. 7 pm. Brighton Beach Public Library [16 Brighton First Rd. at Brightwater Court in Brighton Beach, (718) 946-2917], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER": 8:30 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

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WORKSHOP, COMPUTER BASICS: Adults learn basic skills. No experience necessary. Free. 1 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy, at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

FILM, "ITALY": For adults. Free. 1:30 pm. Brighton Beach Public Library [16 Brighton First Rd. at Brightwater Court in Brighton Beach, (718) 946-2917], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

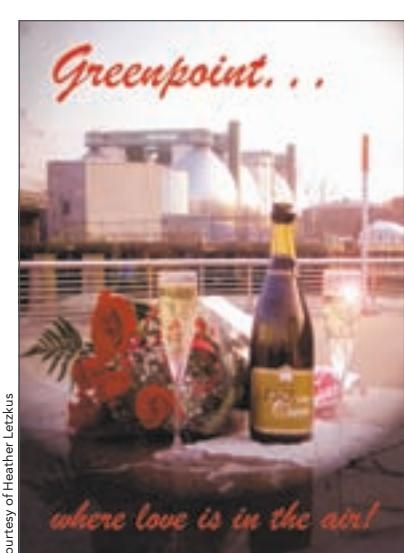
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Courtesy of Heather Letzke

Love stinks!

A Valentine's Day visit to a sewage plant

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

Nothing says I love you like the smell of sewage in the morning.

The Newtown Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant will offer a romantic early morning tour of its Greenpoint sludge-processing facility on Feb. 14, perhaps the strangest way to show your date you care—or subtly indicate that things aren't working out.

Put on some comfortable boots, snuggle up with your companion,

CULTURE

Guided Tour of the Newtown Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant [329 Greenpoint Ave. at Humboldt Street in Greenpoint, (718) 995-6600] Feb. 14, 9:30-11:30 am. For reservations, email events@dep.nyc.gov.

and hold your breath when the plant's ruggedly handsome superintendent, Jimmy Pynn, explains how the city cleans 1.3 billion gallons of wastewater each day.

You'll get to see every aspect of the plant's waste treating process, and even take a trip through its suggestively shaped digester tanks, where plucky microorganisms break down what you and your date ate for lunch yesterday, producing methane and carbon dioxide gas.

And at the end of the tour, Pynn will give each attendee a Hershey's Kiss — because there's nothing sweeter than protecting the environment.

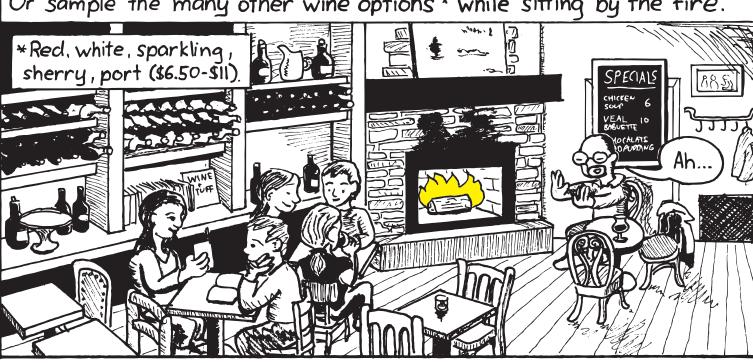
Just take your date to a nice dinner later, to hedge your bets.

Breathe it in: Take a tour of the dazzling Wastewater Treatment Plant in Greenpoint on Valentine's Day with your sweetheart.

BAR SCROWL

By Bill Roundy

When it's cold, I recommend a one-block trek from Smith Street to the Black Mountain Wine House.



Or sample the many other wine options* while sitting by the fire.

*Red, white, sparkling, sherry, port (\$6.50-\$11).

Black Mountain Wine House [415 Union St., at Hoyt Street in Carroll Gardens, (718) 522-4340]. Open Mon-Fri, 4 pm-midnight; Sat-Sun, 3 pm-midnight. For more info, visit www.blackmountainwinehouse.com.

LOVE...

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the potato-garlic-almond spread skordalia — may not sound like the sexiest dish going in, but the body-and-soul-altering properties of its aphrodisiacal ingredients make it a potent potion indeed.

Yiasou [2003 Emmons Ave. at Ocean Avenue in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 332-6064].

BANANAS

Press 195: Can a sandwich be sexy? Hell yeah, if it's a Banana Bread Press (\$10), stuffed with fresh banana and strawberry slices, pure maple syrup (or Nutella), ice cream, and candied walnuts. "It's creamy, sweet and delicious," said manager Cameron Lewin, "and meant to serve two, so sharing it with a loved one makes it sexy right off the bat."

Press 195 [195 Fifth Ave. between Berkeley Place Sackett Street in Park Slope, (718) 857-1950].

HONEY

Walter's: This elegant Fort Greene restaurant is a given for romantic, Valentine's Day interludes — especially when you order up a plate of finger-licking fried chicken slathered in sweet and sticky swirls of spicy honey (\$16). Don't forget to share.

Walter's [166 DeKalb Ave. between Carlton and Vanderbilt Avenues in Prospect Heights, (718) 488-7800].

ASPARAGUS, BASIL

Piccoli To Go: You won't need to hail a cab home after experiencing the stimulating effects of the Pesto Genovese (\$9.50) at this tasty takeaway spot. The homemade fettuccini with creamy pesto and asparagus easily reheats at home — as will you.

Piccoli [157 Prospect Park SW between Vanderbilt and Seeley Streets in Windsor Terrace, (718) 788-0006].

FIGS

Beast tapas + lounge: Exotic, succulent figs are effortlessly sensual, and displayed to delicious effect at Beast tapas + lounge in Prospect Heights. "It's like stepping into the Garden of Eden without all the rules," said chef/owner D.S. Bicknese of her caramelized onion and fig pesto tart with goat cheese and watercress salad (\$13). We're sold!

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Brooklyn is for lovers

Get tongue-tied at the borough's most romantic spots

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

Pucker up, Brooklyn! You don't have to stray too far from home this Valentine's Day to visit some of the city's most romantic spots.

So put on a coat, grab your main squeeze, and make some memories at the borough's loveliest places—before you get the urge to rush back indoors and make some more.

Brooklyn Botanic Garden Did you know there are over 12,000 kinds of plants at the Brook-

lyn Botanic Garden?

Unfortunately, most of them are dead this time of year.

But that shouldn't rule out a trip to the Botanic Garden where you can gaze at its South African bulb collection the Steinhardt Conservatory's Warm Temperate House, or see some frighteningly named hellebores and a few freakish daffodils at the southern end of the garden.

And if you're looking for love, the garden hosts several perennial parties, including a salsa dance party on Friday night.

"The garden is one of the best

places to meet someone male or female who is not a creep," said Botanic Garden spokeswoman Kate Blumm.

How about that!

Coney Island Boardwalk

Just because the rides are closed doesn't mean you can't enjoy the splendors of the People's Play-

ground.

Take a stroll on the boardwalk, and pull your date in tight as the wind whips toward you at 30 miles an hour off the harbor. Plus, there are plenty of places off the beach to swoop in for a bite.

Brooklyn's newest park is its grandest — and you should take

Ocean Avenue Footbridge

If Coney's not your thing, here's another quietly romantic spot at the other end of the bay.

Walk down Emmons Avenue toward Manhattan Beach and turn onto the wooden planks of the Ocean Avenue footbridge. The salty air and view of sailboats bobbing in the bay should put you and your date in the mood for some Manhattan clam chowder at Randazzo's Clam Bar, just across the street.

Brooklyn Bridge Park

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grandest — and you should take

full advantage now that the crowds are sparse.

Walk though the frozen sod to Pier 1 at sunset and catch the golden rays of winter's setting sun refract off the silvery Manhattan skyline—and pull your date in tight for a smooch.

Then get on your high horse for a nostalgic ride on Jane's Carousel—but try not to kiss while you're motion because if you fall, you'll get ground into hamburger in the ride's powerful gears.

Commandant Mansion at Little and Evans Streets

At the top of Vinegar Hill at Little and Evans Streets, there's the stately Commandant Mansion, which was built in 1805 and has been part of the Brooklyn Navy Yard since 1964.

Good luck sneaking inside, but the secluded cul-de-sac happens to be a favorite make-out spot for our friends at L Magazine. We suggest topping it off with a lovely brunch at Vinegar Hill House.



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Smooch: Eric Justusson and Riana Moring-Parris steal a kiss at Brooklyn Bridge Park.



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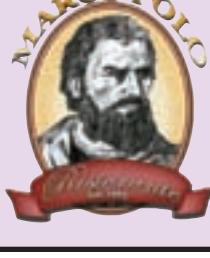
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Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

LOVE BITES: Live performances by Amber Martin, Mark Rinzel, Corn Mo, Cathy Cervenka, Tony Z, Yana Chupenko, Chris Hall, Sophia Ramos, Watt White, Kevin Brennan, Militia, Mike Maenza, John Cappadonna and Cherie Martorana. \$7.8 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave, between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

WORKSHOP, CROCHET: Adults meet every week and work on their projects. 2 pm. Midwood Public Library [975 E. 16th St. between Avenues J and I in Midwood, (718) 252-0967], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

TAX HELP: 6–8 pm. See Saturday, Feb. 11.

READING, MILTON GLASER: The famed graphic designer will discuss his new book, "In Search of the Miraculous: Or, One Thing Leads to Another." 6 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

BEGINNER'S ESL: 6:15 to 9:15 pm. See Monday, Feb. 13.

FILM, "FREEDOM RIDERS": Free 6:30 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza in Park Slope, (718) 230-2100], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

READING, MICHAEL SHOWALTER: Funnyman and author of "Mr. Funny Parts." Free 7 pm. WORD [126 Franklin Street between Milton and Noble streets in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096], www.wordbrooklyn.com.

BEGINNER'S ESL: 6:15 to 9:15 pm. See Monday, Feb. 13.

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7:30 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 338-9132]. **THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER":** 8:30 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

FRI, FEB. 17
WORKSHOP, FUN FRIDAYS: 4 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

MUSIC, WILLIAM HOOKER: Free 8 pm. BAMCafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER": 8:30 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

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PERFORMANCE
MUSIC, FLEETWOOD MAC COVER SHOW: Indie rock not-so-supergroup to perform Fleetwood Mac's 1982 album "Miracle." \$12. 8 pm. Littlefield [622 Degraw St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Gowanus, (718) 855-3388], www.littlefieldnyc.com.

THEATER, "FOLLOW THE LEADER": 8:30 pm. See Friday, Feb. 10.

MUSIC, THE JAZZ TWINS: The twin LeBoeuf brothers take over Sycamore for a night of uncanny jazz. \$10. 10 pm. Sycamore [1118 Cortelyou Rd. between Stratford and Westminster roads in Ditmas Park, (347) 240-5850], www.sycamorebrooklyn.com.

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PARENT

Wow, they grow up so fast!

Last weekend, my 14-year-old daughter was at a party in the neighborhood. She diligently texted me when she left with a group of friends to hang on the Promenade. Understanding that "hanging" could include just about any behavior from the benign to the horrifically unacceptable, I was tempted to take the dog for a walk at that very moment and "accidentally" run into the kids. I wanted to spy on her.

While I can list a number of reasons to check on my girl — knowing she's safe, shielding her from danger, protecting her from bad decisions — the big, unspoken one is simply to know what's going on in her life.

Let's face it, teenagers

have secret lives that are invitation-only, and parents are generally not on the list. There are moments when this drives me crazy.

I know my older daughter, at sixteen, has classmates who smoke cigarettes, get high, and have sex. She never names names.

I feel those details would help me gauge her risks, and evaluate situations she puts herself into, like which parties she goes to and whose house she hangs at.

But it would take CIA interrogation training before I would have a chance of getting that information out of her.



The Dad

By Scott Sager

Of course, there are ways. I could track my daughters with services from our cell phone company.

I could make efforts to monitor their Facebook pages. I could even do some old fashioned snooping. And I would if I thought they were truly hurting themselves or planning to harm others. But short of those fears, I would feel awful if I covertly intruded into their lives. And in the end, my efforts would still fail. My girls will always

have secret thoughts and private interactions. I can't just follow them around.

Mostly, they're doing the normal teenage stuff — couple things, texting with friends when they should be sleeping, planning to watch R-rated movies at someone's house — all the stuff that I often group under the heading, "drama." From my adult perspective, I see much teen angst as unnecessarily painful, and I would love to save my children from that. But I know I can't; it's a part of their lives, and I may not even know about many of the wounds and injuries, the crushes and rejections they face. Nor should I.

Call it what you will: testing limits, experimentation, rebelling. These are

the things filling my parental nightmares but, also, these are the things enabling my teenagers to form their own emotional lives. When they leave home, I don't want kids that call me constantly with the intimate details of their lives or text me for help picking a brand of toothpaste. Of course I don't want them to disappear either. I want them to have friendships and loves, their own people that support and fulfill them.

Right now, in adolescence, is where that starts. These teenage years are a time of transition for my whole family and change is exciting but hard. It's not all bliss watching them pull away and turn to friends for advice and support when I'm sure I have better an-

swers. While I may still know where they are and who they're with, I'm excluded more and more from their emotional lives.

I did walk the dog last weekend, while my daughter and her friends were on the Promenade. Despite my desires, I went a different direction.

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TREE

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blue and pink each winter since. She hoped it would urge passers-by to "rethink their environment."

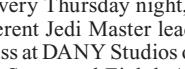
"It's a gesture of compassion for the tree even though I know it doesn't actually do anything," she told The Brooklyn Paper in January.

A police spokesman for the 78th precinct said he had no information about the disappearing arbor outfits and two city agencies — the Parks Department and the Department of Sanitation — said the city isn't responsible for stripping down the newly nude trees.

Russell is now turning to neighbors for help.

"If you hear of anything," she said. "Please let me know."

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"I'm waiting on his conscience to get to him," said the Jedi Master, who is offering a \$100 reward for the lightsaber. "We're teaching people how to be heroes, and

I need a back."

Anyone with information on the alleged thief, who witnesses described as a bearded man in a button-down shirt and slacks, can contact Flynn at thrillsandskills@gmail.com.

so don't expect Michael to use (physical) force.

Instead, Michael hopes the thief will decide to return the lightsaber, but until he does the Jedi will be "Hands Solo," borrowing sabers from pals and using a

lightsaber from rock and roll, but said he could not condone defiling any house of worship.

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BOURBON

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The dusty bottle — which is one of about 200 released — contains a 107-proof caramel-and-vanilla-rich flavor bomb best served with some water, "which changes the molecules" and opens up the spirit, much like it would for a single-malt scotch, Tsoumpas said.

Martin Mills is the name of a fictional distillery, thought up by Kentucky-based small-batch hooch makers, who bot-

ted the stuff exclusively for Japan in 1999 after they purchased a two-decade old bourbon barrel.

Tsoumpas bought the booze from an obscure retailer in England seven years ago, back when it was the oldest bottle of bourbon anyone could find in the world, he said. Today a bottle would sell for at least \$500.

It's almost unheard of to craft quality bourbon that's

been aged more than 20 years, partly because of the wood-barreling process, which is one reason a sip of the stuff is so pricy.

"A bottle like that can make your place a major destination," Lew Bryson, managing editor of Whisky Advocate magazine.

Bryson, who tastes brown booze for a living, has never ordered a glass of bourbon that cost more than \$60 per ounce. Neither have some of Brooklyn's most liquor-obsessed connoisseurs: the exclusive River Café's most expensive

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what appears to be the word, "Mykee" on Jesus's robe, according to cops.

Similar KISS makeup was also drawn on an advertisement at the Lorimer Street L station, four blocks from the church.

Detectives are investigating the church case as a possible hate crime — and they are working off of one major clue: the vandal's supposed favorite band.

"We are looking for a KISS fan," said Deputy Inspector Terence Hurson, the commanding officer of the 94th Precinct.

Church pastor Joseph Calise urged worshippers to remain calm and suspend judgment.

"We don't know if it is an act of anger, grief, vandalism or stupidity," said Calise.

The KISS-influenced vandalism — which closely mirrors a scene in the slacker classic "Dazed and Confused"

— outraged parishioners and community leaders, including Assemblyman Joe Lentol (D—Williamsburg), who worships at the church and described the destruction of sacred property as "malicious mischief."

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Notice to Bidders

The State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center will receive sealed Proposals for Project No. BR-011 Titled: "SUNY Downstate Center Upgrades to 3rd and 4th Floors at Bay Ridge" until 2:00 p.m. Local Time on Wednesday, March 7th, 2012. Submit bids to the office of Mr. Ray Salvadurai, Purchase Associate, Contracts and Procurement, SUNY Downstate Medical Center, 450 Clarkson Avenue, Box 113, Brooklyn, New York 11203. The proposals will then be publicly opened and read aloud at 811 New York Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11203 (Second Floor Conference Room).

All work on this Contract is to be completed within (60) calendar days, starting ten (10) calendar days after the contract approval date.

Bidding and Contract Documents may be examined free of charge at the campus at SUNY Downstate Medical Center, 811 New York Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11203 (Second Floor Conference Room).

1. **AMANDATORY** Pre-bid Conference and Project Walk-through will be held on Wednesday, February 29th, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. with all contractors assembled at SUNY Downstate Medical Center at Bay Ridge in the Main Lobby, 699 92nd Street, Brooklyn, New York 11228. The mandatory conference will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. No individual or additional walk-through will be performed under the pre-bid time period. Only bidders who attend the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Project Walkthrough will be permitted to submit a proposal on this project.

2. **Qualifications of Bidders:**

(1) All prospective bidders are hereby notified that, on request of the University, they must be able to prove to the satisfaction of the University that they have the skill and experience, as well as the necessary facilities, ample financial resources, organization and general reliability to do the work to be performed under the provisions of the Contract in a satisfactory manner and within the time specified.

(2) All prospective bidders must have a minimum (5) years experience in installing electrical/mechanical services of similar size, scope and complexity for healthcare facilities.

(3) All prospective bidders must be able to provide an on-site installation supervisor with a minimum five (5) years experience managing the installation of electrical/mechanical services of similar size, scope and complexity for healthcare facilities.

(4) All prospective bidders must be prepared to show to the satisfaction of the University that it has working capital available for the Project upon which it is bidding in an amount equal to 15 percent of the first \$100,000 of the amount of its Total Bid plus 10 percent of the next \$900,000 plus 5 percent of the remainder of its Total Bid. Working capital is defined as the excess of current assets over current liabilities. The University defines current assets as assets which can be reasonably expected to be converted into cash within a year, and current liabilities as debts which will have to be paid within a year.

(5) All prospective bidders must also be prepared to prove, to the satisfaction of the University, that it has successfully completed a contract of similar work in a healthcare facility in an amount of not less than 50 percent of the amount of its total bid.

(6) All prospective bidders and sub-consultants must be licensed professionals in the State of New York.

Complete sets of Contract Documents for bidding may be obtained from:

Ray Salvadurai, Purchase Associate, Contracts and Procurement Department,
SUNY Downstate Medical Center, 450 Clarkson Avenue, Box 113, Brooklyn, NY 11203,
Tel: (718) 826-4943, email: ray.salvadurai@downstate.edu

Section 143 of the State Finance Law requires payment of a deposit to receive these documents. Accordingly, a deposit of check of \$49.00, made payable to SUNY Downstate Medical Center is required. Deposits less than \$50.00 are non-refundable.

Bids must be submitted in duplicate in accordance with the instructions contained in the Information for Bidders. Security will be required for each bid in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the Total Bid.

It is the policy of the State of New York and the State University of New York to encourage minority business enterprise participation in this project by contractors, subcontractors and suppliers, and all bidders are expected to cooperate in implementing this policy.

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